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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Thomas D. Watkins, Jr., Chairman

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Honoring Alexander G. Davlantes

Attached is a draft resolution honoring Alexander G. Davlantes who is retiring from the Michigan Department of Education. Mr. Davlantes served the State and children of Michigan for 29 years.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the Resolution Honoring Alexander G. Davlantes, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated October 2, 2002.

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RESOLUTION

ALEXANDER G. DAVLANTES

WHEREAS, in August of 1972, Alexander G. Davlantes graduated from Wayne State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Education; and

WHEREAS, in 1974, he received a Master's Degree in Education from the University of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, prior to coming to the Michigan School for the Deaf in August of 1973, Alexander G. Davlantes was employed by the Detroit Public Schools, specifically at the Detroit Day School for the Deaf as a classroom teacher; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure at the Michigan School for the Deaf, he held the positions of Principal, Business Office Executive, and most recently, Executive Director of the Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind; and

WHEREAS, Alexander G. Davlantes has also served his community as a member of the Warwick Hills Country Club, Quota International of Flint, Valley School Board of Directors, and as Secretary/Treasurer of the University of Michigan Public Broadcasting Community Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Alexander G. Davlantes also has served his profession as a charter member of the Michigan Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (MiRID), as a member of the Michigan Supervisors of Public School Programs for the Hearing Impaired (MSPSPHI), the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), and the Council of Schools for the Blind (COSB); and

WHEREAS, during his 30 years of service in the field of education in Michigan, Alexander G. Davlantes has demonstrated leadership and personal integrity and has been a tireless advocate for the educational rights of children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Alexander G. Davlantes has informed the Michigan Department of Education that he will retire from his active career in education effective November 1, 2002; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education receives with deep regret the news of the well-deserved retirement of this able and distinguished educator; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education extends to Alexander G. Davlantes its highest regard and heartfelt gratitude for the dedication and expertise he has brought to the children of Michigan, and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education expresses its fervent wish that Alexander G. Davlantes enjoys many years of happiness, good health, and rewarding experiences during his years of retirement with his wife, Alexis, and their two daughters.